



JUNE 2023 PROGRAMS

All Programs are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted. An adult must accompany children. Reasonable accommodations available upon request. Wheelchair accessible. For more information call (413) 863-3221.

VISITOR CENTER

OPEN 6 days a week:

- Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
- Wednesdays—Sundays, 10:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.
- Open Monday, June 19, 10 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Explore the natural, cultural and industrial history of the Connecticut River Watershed with our dynamic exhibit dioramas. Adjacent to the Canalside Rail Trail, the center also includes the Great Hall exhibit gallery, restrooms, and drinking water. Wheelchair accessible. Located at 2 Avenue A in Turners Falls.

ONGOING,
MAY 7—
JUNE 30

GREAT HALL EXHIBIT:

VISIONS OF THE CONNECTICUT RIVER VALLEY

This group show showcases work from regional artists featuring the nature of the Connecticut River.

ONGOING,
MAY 11—
JUNE 27

STORY WALK—*RUBY'S BIRDS*

Enjoy a story, fresh air and exercise! Join us on the center's grounds for a free self-guided StoryWalk® featuring the children's picture book *Ruby's Birds* by Mya Thompson, for readers ages 3-7 and everyone who celebrates birds. Follow the path to book pages posted along the route.

*The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. StoryWalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson. This StoryWalk® is provided by Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation Interpretive Services.

FRIDAYS,
JUNE 2 & 9

NICE & EASY WALKS

Fridays, June 2 & 9, 1:00—2:00 p.m.

SUNDAY,
JUNE 11

Sunday, June 11, 1:00—2:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS,
JUNE 14 & 28

Wednesdays, June 14 & 28, 10:00—11:00 a.m.,

An easy-paced, 1 to 2-mile guided walk, along the Canalside Rail Trail or downtown Turners Falls, geared for seniors, but open to all ages. Join others seeking fresh air and exercise. A DCR Park Interpreter highlights natural and local history along the way. Wear appropriate clothing for the weather and sturdy footwear and bring water. We're changing up the timing of our Nice & Easy Walks to the mornings to beat the summer heat.

SUNDAY,
JUNE 4

16TH ANNUAL FREE FAMILY FISHING DAY

10:00 a.m. —2:00 p.m.

Our annual Family Fishing Day, at Barton Cove, with additional activities at the Great Falls Discovery Center. Join us for a day of FREE fishing fun. Adults and children of all ages are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Event is held rain or shine. Parking is free.

At Barton Cove Campground: Barton Cove Road in Gill

- Free fishing from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (continued ...)

MORE PROGRAMS CONTINUED ON OTHER SIDE

Great Falls Discovery Center, Connecticut River Greenway State Park
2 Avenue A, Turners Falls, MA 01376, (413) 863-3221, greatfallsdiscoverycenter.org

coming events



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SUNDAY,
JUNE 4
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- Fishing equipment provided - limited supplies. Bring your own pole if you have it.
- No fishing license needed.

At Great Falls Discovery Center: 2 Avenue A

- Fly lure tying demonstrations.
- Come see a fish from the USGS Conte Anadromous Fish Research Lab
- CATCH THE FISH BUS HERE! Free shuttle bus to and from Barton Cove as needed from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

At Turners Falls Fishway: 15 First Street

- Fish printing - The art of Gyotaku, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 pm.

FRIDAY,
JUNE 9

GREAT FALLS COFFEEHOUSE PRESENTS:

FARLEY STRING BAND, 7:00—9:00 p.m., Great Hall

Join us spring, summer, and fall for the Friends of the Great Falls Discovery Center's concert series featuring local talent. Enjoy traditional folk music, "old time" and Celtic fiddle tunes from the Farley String Band. Refreshments available. Sliding scale suggested donations, all in support of educational programming at the Center.

SUNDAY,
JUNE 11

RAISED BEDS FOR GROWING VEGETABLES

3:00—4:00 p.m., Great Hall

In partnership with Montague Public Libraries, Franklin County Master Gardeners presents a workshop on raised beds for growing your veggies.

SATURDAY,
JUNE 17

ART NATURALLY SERIES

10:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m., Great Hall

Discover nature through story, poetry, and art in our series of FREE Art Naturally programs. Using words and images, instruction and techniques you create an art piece inspired by the natural world to take home. For adults, teens, and children ages 6 and up (accompanied by an adult). All materials are free.

SUNDAY,
JUNE 18

FIELDS & FORESTS—WHAT DO BEES NEED?

10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Great Hall

Help us kick-off Pollinator Week! Make your own native bee habitat by "painting" with yarn, fleece, pre-felt shapes, and soapy water. Will your bees live in a tree trunk or holes in the ground? Will they build their nests with mud or leaves? Learn how important our native bees are and what they need to thrive. For ages 4 and up, including teens and adults. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Designed especially for families (including dads), but all are welcome.

FRIDAY,
JUNE 30

KIDLEIDOSCOPE STORY HOUR

6/30: Turtles, 10:30—11:30 a.m. Great Hall

For ages 3-6, accompanied by an adult. Learn more about our wildlife neighbors who share our home. Program includes a story, activities, and a craft. Activities are indoors and outdoors, weather permitting. Siblings and friends welcome.

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